§2105. Electronic Bingo Card Dabber Device Approval Process

- A. Eligibility. EBCDDs and EBCDD systems will only be allowed under the following criteria:
- 1. a charitable organization doing business in those parishes or incorporated municipalities where an ordinance has been adopted allowing charitable games of chance; or
- 2. a manufacturer or distributor of EBCDDs that is registered under the law and leases or rents the machines only to charitable organizations in parishes or incorporated municipalities where an ordinance has been adopted allowing charitable games of chance.

B. Application

- 1. Upon approval of the manufacturer's application by written notice from the office, the manufacturer will be allowed to submit EBCDDs and EBCDD systems for certification to an independent testing laboratory approved by the office.
- 2. The manufacturer must agree to pay all cost associate with the testing by the independent testing laboratory approved by the office.
- 3. Prior to the initial shipment of EBCDDs or EBCDD systems into the state, manufacturers must receive final written approval from the office.
- C. EBCDD Specifications. Each EBCDD must include the following specifications:
- 1. a model number and unique identification number designated by the manufacturer;
- 2. be programmed to automatically erase all electronic bingo cards and/or bingo card face numbers that were stored in the device upon turning off the devices after the last bingo game of each session or by some secondary timing or clearing method;
- 3. offer for play only the game commonly known as bingo. EBCDD may not allow the play or simulate the play of video poker, keno, blackjack, slots, or similar casino type games.
- D. EBCDD System Specifications. Each EBCDD system must include the following specifications:
- 1. a self-contained receipting function for electronic bingo cards and be able to print out a copy of the receipt for each sale or void of an EBCDD. The receipt must be given to the player and must include the following information:
- a. EBCDD model and unique identification number;
 - b. the date and time of the transaction;
 - c. the session in which the product was used;
- d. the quantity of electronic bingo cards purchased or loaded;

- e. the total dollar amount of the transaction; and
- f. the sequential and consecutive transaction number.
- 2. not be able to engage in any type of sale, void, alteration, or reload transactions unless the EBCDD is connected or interfaced with and communicating with the site system;
- 3. include a point of sale station and an internal accounting system that is capable of recording each sale of EBCDD;
- 4. be able to provide the winning numbers and game patterns required for the entire bingo session on a hard copy printout. The printout must be available upon demand by the office at the bingo session;
- 5. electronically verify that the numbers appearing on a potential winning electronic bingo card is a valid bingo and that the bingo card was purchased during the current session;
- ensure that an EBCDD does not allow for play any bingo card faces other than those verifiably purchased by the player;
- 7. ensure that the EBCDD system has the capability to produce a summary report, on a hard copy transaction log, after each session that includes the following information:
 - a. name and state license number of organization;
 - b. date and time of report;
 - c. number of EBCDDs loaded;
- d. number and description of electronic bingo faces loaded into the EBCDDs;
 - e. voided transactions; and
- f. total dollar amount of electronic bingo face sales;
- 8. must include software that ensures the internal accounting system is capable of recording and retaining for each session the following information:
- a. the unique serial number of each bingo card sold for EBCDD use;
- b. the sale price of each card or card package for use with an EBCDD;
 - c. the total amount of EBCDD sales;
- d. the total number of card faces sold for use with EBCDDs;
- e. the model and unique identification number associated with each EBCDD sold;
- f. all the above information must be secured and shall not be accessible for alteration during a session; and

- g. must have the capability to print all required information on the system's active or archived databases for a period not less than 12 months.
- 9. must have dial-up capability, so that the office has the ability to remotely verify operation, compliance, and internal accounting systems;
- 10. may include a player tracking computer software that is used to identify or track certain characteristics of bingo players, including but not limited to, personal data and purchasing habits of players at a particular location.

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